



# National Conference

## One Voice, One Vision

Saturday 3rd to Sunday 4th September, 2016

St Andrews Church Hall, Myers Street, Bendigo, Victoria

## Rural Australians for Refugees National Conference Program

### Saturday 3rd Sept 2016 – Morning (8.30am – 12.30pm)

#### St Andrews

08.30: Registration

09.00: Welcome/ housekeeping

09.15: **Chris Cummins**

09.30: **Founders: History & Development of RAR**

– Anne, Helen and Susan

09.45: **Facilitated Sessions – Round 1**

1. **The power of one message - Media & Refugee Advocacy**

Facilitator – Anthony Radford

2. **Think National, Working Local - RAR groups**

Facilitator – Helen Musk

3. **The Ripple Effect - Growing the National RAR Network**

Facilitators – Terry White & Bonnie Carter

10.30: **Morning-tea break**

10.45: **Gorgeous Voices** performance

11.00: **Facilitated Sessions – Round 2**

11.45: **Facilitated Sessions – Round 3**

12.30: **Where to from Here –**

Facilitator, Marg Leser

National RAR Working Party -

Campaign, Advocate & Administrate:

- Maintain social media, database, email account, website.
- Enable consistent dialogue between RAR groups.
- Enable dialogue between RAR and other refugee groups.
- Enable dialogue between RAR and the community.

**Meet the New Admin Team**

1pm: **Lunch adjournment**

## Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2016 – Afternoon (2pm – 5pm)

### St Andrews

2.00: Welcome & Housekeeping

2.05: **Faye White** – singing

2.10: **Julian Burnside, Patron of RAR**

2.30: **John & Margaret Millington:**  
**Successful Settlement of Karen Refugees**

3.00: Q&A

3.15: **Afternoon-tea break**

3.30: **Media Panel –**  
**Ben Doherty, Nick Olle, Anthony Radford**

4.00: Q&A

**4.30: Walk together to council chambers**

4.40: **Campaign Launch**

Intro - Asher Hirsch (RCOA)

**The Welcome Scroll** Mayors Fyffe & Henderson

## Saturday Evening (6.30pm – 11.00pm)

### The Shamrock

6.30: Conference Dinner – arrive, to be seated for 7pm

7.00: **Guest Speakers –**  
**Pamela Curr & Julian Burnside**

7:45: Main meal - buffet

**Guest Speaker - Hani Abdile**

## Day 2: Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept (9am – 2pm)

### St Andrews

9.00: Welcome

9.10: **1. Amnesty's "Changing the Conversation" workshop**  
**2. ASRC Workshop – Refuge from our Rhetoric**

*The New RAR Admin Team might like to use this time to meet*

10.40: **Morning-tea break**

11.00: **1. ASRC Workshop – Refuge from our Rhetoric**  
**2. Amnesty's "Changing the Conversation" workshop**

12.30: Conclusion – and hosts for Conference 2017

1.00: **Lunch & Networking ... & Close**